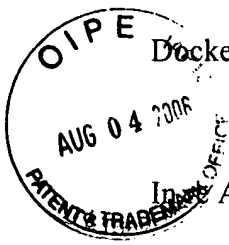


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RESPONSE

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Sir:

In response to the Office Action dated May 4, 2006, having a three-month shortened statutory period for response set to expire August 4, 2006, reconsideration of the above-identified application is respectfully requested in view of the following remarks.